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BOYD CALLS FOR IMPROVED VA TECHNOLOGY SECURITY

Congressman Boyd praises recovery of stolen laptop

WASHINGTON, D.C.-Congressman Allen Boyd (D-North Florida) today praised the recovery of the stolen laptop.

"While this is great news for our veterans, this does not undercut the need for improved technology security at the VA."

This week, Congressman Boyd, a member of the Military Quality of Life and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee on Health and Safety, announced the recovery of the stolen laptop.

Since 2000, the Government Accountability Office (GAO) and the VA Inspector General have issued multiple reports on VA technology security.

"Past reports by the House Government Reform Committee, the GAO, and the VA Inspector General all identified significant vulnerabilities in VA's technology security."

Below is the House Government Reform Committee's report on federal computer security grades since 2001.

Federal Computer Security Grades, 2001-2005

Wednesday, March 15, 2006

Agency

2005

2004

2003

2002

2001

Department of Agriculture

F

F

F

F

F

Agency for International Development

A+

A+

C-

F

F

Department of Commerce

D+

F

C-

D+

F

Department of Defense

F

D

D

F

F

Department of Education

C-

C

C+

D

F

Department of Energy

F

F

F

F

F

Environmental Protection Agency

A+

B

C

D-

D+

General Services Administration

A-

C+

D

D

D

Department of Health and Human Services

F

F

F

D-

F

Department of Homeland Security*

F

F

F

Department of Housing and Urban Development

D+

F

F

F

D

Department of the Interior

F

C+

F

F

F

Department of Justice

D

B-

F

F

F

Department of Labor

A+

B-

B

C+

F

National Aeronautics and Space Administration

B-

D-

D-

D+

C-

Nuclear Regulatory Commission

D-

B+

A

C

F

National Science Foundation

A

C+

A-

D-

B+

Office of Personnel Management

A+

C-

D-

F

F

Small Business Administration

C+

D-

C-

F

F

Social Security Administration

A+

B

B+

B-

C+

Department of State

F

D+

F

F

D+

Department of Transportation

C-

A-

D+

F

F

Department of the Treasury

D-

D+

D

F

F

Department of Veterans Affairs

F

F

C

F

F

All Agencies

D+

D+

D

F

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